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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination upon the merits, kindly amend
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 4, 7, 8, and 10 as follows:

B1 1 (amended). A monoclonal antibody (Mab) capable of binding
Placental Protein 13 (PP-13) with high affinity. *how define scope*

4 (amended). An immunoassay for measuring the level of PP-13
in a biological fluid comprising the steps of:

B2 ^a
(One) bringing said fluid into contact with a Mab according
to any of Claims 1, 2, or 16, thereby forming Mab-PP-13
complexes;

^b
(Two) exposing said complexes to a second Mab according to
any of claims 1, 2, or 16 linked to a signal-generating